

Traffic Stop Leads to Drugs and Weapons Charges-Dover



Stephen H. Obeda

Dover- The Delaware State Police have arrested a Harrington man after a traffic stop led to the discovery of a loaded handgun and illegal drugs.

The incident occurred at approximately 12:07 p.m. on Wednesday, December 27, 2017, as Troopers were on patrol in

the area of Martin Luther King Boulevard and observed a 2009 Dodge Nitro with an equipment violation. A traffic stop was then conducted and contact was made with the operator, identified as 33-year-old **Stephen Obeda** of Harrington. It was determined that the operator's drivers license was revoked. Subsequently, he was removed from the vehicle and a search was conducted. The search of the vehicle revealed a concealed and fully loaded .22 caliber revolver which was previously reported stolen out of Denton, MD, 20.70 grams of marijuana and .375 grams of heroin both of which were packaged for sale.

Obeda was charged with Possession of a Firearm During the Commission of a Felony, two counts of Possession of a Firearm or Ammunition by a Person Prohibited, Carrying a Concealed Deadly Weapon, Receiving a Stolen Firearm, two counts of Possession with Intent to Deliver, Possession of a Controlled Substance, Possession of Marijuana, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, and several traffic charges. Obeda was arraigned out of Justice of the Peace Court 2 and released on \$59,600 unsecured bond.

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